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Chief of Police

NEWS RELEASE

March 23, 2011

Two Arrested Attempting to Defraud a Bank

On March 23, 2011 at approximately 10:30 a.m. Bluffton Police responded to Wachovia Bank at 11 Arley Way in reference to a suspicious check.

The investigation into this incident revealed that a Lichelle Tukes deposited a \$27,000.00 check from an unknown company on Monday, March 21, 2011 into her bank account at Wachovia. The check was determined to be fraudulent and when she came in today to withdraw funds the police were called.

Tukes was arrested and stated that she received the check from Governous Dennis. Further investigation discovered that Tukes and Dennis were working together to defraud the bank. Both have been arrested and charged with Defrauding a Bank Institution (SC 34-3-110 - Felony) and Forgery (SC 16-13-10 - Felony).

No funds were lost and both suspects have been taken to the Beaufort County Detention Center to await a bond hearing.

ARRESTED



Governous Dennis
20 Simmonsville Road – Apt. 2414
Bluffton, SC 29910
DOB: 09-23-1981

No Picture
Available at
This Time

Lichelle Tukes
100 Kensington Blvd – Apt. 1305
Bluffton, SC 29910
DOB: 02-03-1987

CHARGES

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